THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE JUDICIAL BRANCH

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CHILD IMPACT PROGRAM NOTICE

All parties involved in a divorce, or suits involving parental rights and responsibilities and child support, filed on or after July 1, 1996, are required by law to attend a CHILD IMPACT PROGRAM. This is a four-hour informational seminar on how to help children deal with issues surrounding divorce, separation and parental rights and responsibilities. Parents may attend the course separately or together.

Both parties <u>must</u> complete the seminar within 45 days of the date the respondent was served with the petition. A certificate of completion of the seminar will be forwarded to the court by the seminar provider.

Failure to attend the seminar will result in appropriate sanctions being ordered by the court, which may include being held in contempt of court and sentenced to jail or payment of a fine or both.

If you need additional time to complete the seminar, you must file a motion with the court requesting the additional time. These motion forms are available at the court.

The court may exempt you from attendance at the seminar if:

- You are incarcerated:
- You have previously attended the seminar;
- The Division of Child Support has brought an action to enforce or modify an existing order; or
- Exceptional circumstances exist which indicate good cause for the court to grant an exception.

If you think you should be exempted, you must file a motion with the court requesting the exemption. These motion forms are available at the Court. In the case of domestic violence, if there has been no exemption granted by the court, the parties should attend separate seminars.

The fee for the seminar is \$85.00 per person and must be paid to the seminar provider in advance. If you are unable to afford the seminar fee, contact the seminar provider.

The seminar is offered at different locations and times. PLEASE CALL ONE OF THE SEMINAR PROVIDERS LISTED ON THE NEXT PAGE/REVERSE SIDE IMMEDIATELY FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER FOR A SEMINAR.

PROGRAM PROVIDERS

COUNTY	<u>TOWN</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	PROGRAM PROVIDERS
BELKNAP COUNTY	Laconia	524-1100	Genesis Behavioral Health
CARROLL COUNTY	Conway Wolfeboro	447-2111 447-2111	Carroll County Mental Health Services Carroll County Mental Health Services
CHESHIRE COUNTY	Keene	355-3071	Cheshire Mediation
COOS COUNTY	Groveton	636-2555	Northern Human Services
GRAFTON COUNTY	Lebanon Littleton Plymouth	448-0126 444-5358 536-1118	West Central Behavioral Health Northern Human Services Genesis Behavioral Health
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY	Manchester	628-7787	The Mental Health Center of Greater Manchester
	Nashua	598-7155 x 3900	Community Council of Nashua
MERRIMACK COUNTY	Concord	226-7505- x 3262	Riverbend Parent Child Center
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY	Exeter Portsmouth Salem	431-6703 431-6703 893-4194 x3164	Seacoast Mental Health Center Seacoast Mental Health Center CLM Behavioral Health
STRAFFORD COUNTY	Dover	749-3244 x732	Community Partners
SULLIVAN COUNTY	Claremont Newport	448-0126 448-0126	West Central Behavioral Health West Central Behavioral Health

PLEASE NOTE: Seminar sessions are provided in a variety of cities, and you may sign up for any seminar regardless of county. Please contact one of the providers above for information on locations.

Visit the website at <u>www.bhninc.com</u> for more information on the program and for schedules in the different locations.